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Aug 15 - Woolwich&Thamesmead Area Planning Committee
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PATRICIA SEWARD: 'I took this photo of starlings feeding on peanut butter in my back garden in Eltham.'

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We reserve the right to edit any letters received.

John was just like Clough

FOLLOWING on from Kevin Nolan's obituary of John Yarrton (GT, July 10), I'd like to add that I met John in the mid sixties as a player who then became our manager at Alpine United from Deptford. He was a Clough-type manager before



Clough, telling players who had a bad game what good players they were and bursting the bubbles of prima donnas. He was without doubt the most enthusiastic man I met in 30 years of local amateur football.

Danny Catchesides, Eltham

Welland good

RE the misspelled sign in Thames Street - the sign isn't even in Thames Street, it's in Welland Street! The road is divided by the playground - on one side of it is Thames Street, and the other side (where the Thames Street sign was placed) is Welland Street.

Kevin Garvin, Greenwich

A nettle the council must grasp

LIKE many Greenwich residents, I am saddened and frustrated by the amount of graffiti and petty vandalism in the borough, but the sadness and frustration are compounded by the lack of political will on the part of the council to tackle the problem effectively. There is so much evidence that tackling relatively small anti-social behaviour, like tagging (spraying a nick name on a wall, etc.), pays dividends for everyone in the community where it happens. It is not out of a wish to be punitive or because of a kind of tight-lipped, respectable, lace curtain-twitching mentality that many in our community wish to have

taggers and vandals caught and held to account. It is to prevent and contain this behaviour; to help instill in those who do it a sense that it does matter what they do, and what their surroundings are like. Many individuals and community groups in Greenwich want the council to really seize the nettle on this issue, and make more effort to catch and penalise those who behave badly in these small scale ways. We need them to make decisions about how to tackle petty anti-social behaviours in ways that benefit our whole community for generations to come.

Sarah Van Gogh, Plumstead Common Environment Group

● Tackling anti social behaviour such as graffiti is a high priority as we appreciate that it is an eyesore that drastically affects the way people view places and how safe they feel in them. Rapid removal is key and since January we have removed graffiti from 2250 locations. Enforcement Officers work with local police Safer Neighbourhoods Teams to identify perpetrators. And we encourage everyone to report graffiti, by ringing our Contact Centre on 020 8921 4661. Removal wipes are available through our Environment Champions scheme on 020 8921 5618 or cleaner@greenwich.gov.uk

Is Charlton in the Royal borough?

I AM beginning to wonder if Charlton is included in the Royal Borough. We have no banners, unlike Eltham, Greenwich and Woolwich. Sandwiched as we are between the Olympic sites in Greenwich, Woolwich and indeed Stratford, we will be affected by all the difficulties associated with the Games. Could our existence be acknowledged by a few Royal Greenwich banners, even some Olympic ones down by our station? It might cheer up our damp summer and make us feel included.

Carol Hayward, Charlton

● Charlton Village and Blackheath Standard will both be recipients of London 2012 dressing. For budgetary reasons Royal dressing covered the principal town Centres of Woolwich, Eltham and Greenwich - it has proved to be very popular

and we have had a number of requests for Royal dressing in other areas including Charlton. Once London 2012 has finished we hope to be able to look at placing Royal dressing in some areas that currently have none.
Ed

OUR Star Letter writer wins two tickets for a performance at Greenwich Theatre, so get writing!

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by Dick Townsend-Smith

SOME of the most inspirational people in Royal Greenwich have had their efforts officially recognised - and been awarded tickets for the Olympics and Paralympics as a thank-you.

Scores of nominations were sent in by GT readers for the royal borough's competition to choose and reward people who most inspire others by what they do in the community, in the arts or in sport.

They included **Mark Smith**, from Woolwich Common, who has been a full-time charity worker for the Thames Reach charity for homeless people in London for four years.

He said: "I meet homeless people and rough sleepers on the street, assess their needs, and try to find them accommodation through the charity. It's a really rewarding job.

"People are homeless because of lots of different circumstances. Many have alcohol or drug problems, or have lost

their jobs or suffered bereavements." **Maria Goddard**, from New Eltham, is 72, and has been doing voluntary work for 55 years. She is still a voluntary helper teaching wheelchair skills to youngsters at Charlton Park School. She does voluntary work for Help the Aged, and supports deaf people and people with other disabilities. She also takes disabled children to Lourdes every year.

She told GT: "I was really shocked when I got a phone call saying I had won. I thought it was someone trying to sell something - I'm really over the moon about it." Another winner was **Rebekah Kohler**, 17, from Blackheath, who goes to Crown Woods School. She teaches gymnastics and swimming to young children locally, and has represented Royal Greenwich in swimming, the Aquathon and the Mini Marathon.

Rebekah told GT: "I've won tickets for the Olympic volleyball, which I've played, but never watched at this level, so I'm really looking forward to it."

The other winners were **Ron Allison**,

from Charlton, nominated by his wife Joan for his 40 years as an athletics coach; **Ellie Brown**, who organises keep-fit buggy runs in Greenwich, Eltham and Sutcliffe Parks for mums; **Katherine Breese**, who spends lots of time as an unpaid volunteer with the Riding for the Disabled charity; **Noel McTigue**, who started a club for disabled swimmers; **Sharon Gosal**, who leads exercise sessions for older adults; **Brett Tidman**, who encourages

young people to take up judo; **Catherine Breen**, for her work as a volunteer with Girlguiding UK and fundraising for Lymphoma and Leukaemia research; **Bronwyn Horton**, who took six months off work to raise huge sums following the earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand; **Suhayla Egan**, who coordinates activities in a care home; **Anthony Jones**, who turned his life around after personal and family difficulties; **Hope Harrison**, 13, who supported her mother after a series of family tragedies and represented Greenwich in the Hockey Youth Games; **Marsha Turner**, who has coped brilliantly with family and personal problems, and **Mark Newell**, who gives up his time to coach children in athletics.

The winners were presented with their tickets by the Mayor David Grant at the town hall in Wellington Street, Woolwich.

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Business boost for Peninsula

ANOTHER important step has been taken to develop the Greenwich Peninsula as a world-class location for business and enterprise.

An historic agreement between the Royal Borough of Greenwich and an alliance of key Chinese entrepreneurs was due to be signed on Saturday (July 28). It means the Aigo Entrepreneurs Alliance (AEA group) will base their UK trade activities at Mitre Passage on the peninsula.

The signing formalises talks that have been taking place to locate Chinese companies in Greenwich so they can work with local businesses to develop opportunities and grow their businesses in the UK.

The peninsula is already expanding a new 'digital hub' with the royal borough's own Digital Enterprise Greenwich Centre, next door to the Ravensbourne digital college.

The site is rapidly becoming London's prime digital location, with a thriving commercial hub that is creating job opportunities for local people.

Cllr Chris Roberts, leader of the royal borough, said: "Our signing of understanding with Aigo Entrepreneurs Alliance will strengthen our business ties internationally, particularly with China.

"Greenwich Peninsula is already home to the world's most successful entertainment venue, The O2. As we continue to develop business ties and new industries here in the royal borough, we will see the area enjoy an international reputation for business and enterprise as well."

The AEA alliance was founded last year by 12 leading Chinese entrepreneurs to promote leading Chinese brands from the country's rapidly growing private sector.

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A massive

THE 2012 Games in London has brought huge opportunities for businesses based in the Royal Borough of Greenwich, both big and small. GT looks at how they are making the most of this once-in-a-lifetime event

FIRMS of all shapes and sizes have spent months gearing up in readiness for the Games, keeping their fingers crossed for an unprecedented boom in business.

Many are hoping that the massive influx of spectators will send their trade soaring. Shops, cafes and restaurants in the royal borough are opening earlier and closing later during the Games. Many have taken on extra staff to cope with what they hope will be a surge in demand.

For others, the lead-up to London 2012 has already produced dividends. Many local firms in the building industry have

won contracts for ground clearance, construction and electrical installation work. Printers Richard Edward, which opened in Nathan Way, Thamesmead, 20 years ago, won contracts with the Olympic Deliver Authority (ODA) to produce postcards for sponsors featuring athletes, a guide showing the location of the events, and posters of the Olympic site. Sales manager Richard Douglas said: "It's good to be involved with the Olympics, and to produce this work for such a big event and be part of it."

Meanwhile, business has been sizzling for Heaps Sausages in Nevada Street in Greenwich town

centre, which opened eight months ago. They have been supplying construction workers at the Olympic site at nearby Greenwich Park with snacks for the last three months. Owner Martin Heap told GT: "We are conveniently placed for them and we have been opening earlier from 8am to 7pm. We picked up business by being flexible and offering what people wanted."

"We make all our sausages on the premises, 16 different types and fresh every day. Customers can either buy them cooked and in a bag, or take them home to cook. We offer traditional British products. We are hoping that we will get a



ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH
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"METRO CHARITY DRAG RACE"
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 - Royal Hill between the north-eastern kerb-line of Hyde Vale and the common boundary of the No. 72 Royal Hill (the Prince of Greenwich Public House) and No. 76 Royal Hill (the Royal Arms Cafe); and
 - Hyde Vale, between a point 20 metres north-west of the north-western kerb-line of King George Street to its junction with Royal Hill.
- The above prohibitions will only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs. Vehicular access to properties affected by these events will be maintained whenever possible subject to the extent of activities at the event.
- Whilst the road closure specified in paragraph 2 to this Notice remains in operation, affected traffic will be diverted via Point Hill, King William Street and Royal Place.
- The above road closure will not apply to vehicles being used for the said event, or vehicles being used by the emergency services or for urgent utilities work.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation
The Woolwich Centre,
35 Wellington Street,
SE18 4HQ
Dated 31st July 2012
(INTERNAL REF: 10070000)

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Order 2012

- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal Borough of Greenwich proposes to make the above-mentioned Order under sections 4 and 124 of and Part III of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended.
- The general effect of the Order would be to provide double yellow line 'at any time' waiting restrictions on Plumstead Road, the north-east side, between a point 1.9 metres north-west of a point opposite the north-western kerb-line of Clarence Road and a point 20 metres north-west of the north-western kerb-line of Leydeven Road.
- A copy of the proposed Order and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order are available for inspection during normal office hours until the end of six weeks from the date on which the Order is made or, as the case may be, the Council decides not to make the Order, at the Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, Strategic Transportation, Greenwich Council, The Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, SE18 4HQ.
- Further information may be obtained by telephoning Strategic Transportation on 020 8921 2284.
- Any person who wishes to object to or make other representations about the proposed Order should send a statement in writing by 21st August 2012, specifying the grounds on which any objection is made, to the Royal Borough of Greenwich, PO Box 485, Kemp House, 152-160 Grey Road, London, EC1N 2HW (quoting reference PCL/1007/18/10387).
- Persons objecting to the proposed Order should be aware that, in view of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, this Council would be legally obliged to make any comments received in response to this notice open to public inspection.

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The big Frieze!

Sculpture a permanent legacy in Charlton Park

A HUGE, brightly-coloured sculpture for children to play on and families to picnic around, opens tomorrow, (August 1).

It's all part of an Olympic legacy arts project that will leave the royal borough with a permanent reminder of the 2012 Games.

The work - playfully called 'Squeaky Clean' - is in Charlton Park and has been created by innovative Greenwich-based sculptor Gary Webb, 39, who uses steamed wood, polished aluminium and cast resin to create playground-style equipment.

It measures 12 by eight metres and local people were able to use it from the middle of July. The sculpture has been sponsored by the Frieze Foundation, a not-for-

profit organisation that commissions artists - including work for the annual Frieze Art Fair in Regent's Park each October.

"We have similar things happening in all six Olympic host boroughs," said Sorrel Hershberg, the foundation's senior project manager. "But Gary's will be the only permanent work. It will be a lasting legacy for people to enjoy in perpetuity, and will be an interactive sculpture for people to play with."

Work by another Frieze Foundation artist will be featured in different parts of the royal borough.

Sarnath Banerjee creates images about sport, and shows them in galleries and on billboards.



PLAYFUL: the 'Squeaky Clean' sculpture with a permanent home in Charlton Park

boost for business



MASTERCLASS: Chef Kevin Christman shows students Siobhan McMullen and Jordan Bristol how to prepare tempting food

Chefs from the De Vere hotel group are training school-leavers to prepare some of the food at the association's kitchens in Norman Way. The café is open every day from 7am to 7pm, and all profits will be re-invested into the organisation's projects.

"We've opened the café to coincide with the opening of the Olympics, but we hope to be there long after them," said Claire Pritchard from the Community Development Agency.

Cllr Denise Hyland, the royal borough's cabinet member for regeneration, enterprise and skills, said: "There's no doubt that having many of the London 2012 events on our doorstep is an important boost for our business community, and I wish them every success in making the most of this opportunity."

surge of customers at the beginning and the end of each of the event days, plus we are hoping there will be people hovering around who don't have tickets. We are now opening between 7am to 10pm and we've taken on many more staff, who are mainly part-time students. We have doubled our business turnover."

The official opening of the London 2012 Games last Friday (July 27) also marked the opening of a temporary 'pop-up' café in Waller Road, Greenwich,

near the DLR station. Made out of old shipping containers, it can seat around 200 people, both inside and outdoors. It is being run by the Greenwich Community Development Agency, (GCDA) which supports social enterprises.

The café sells locally-produced ice cream and pastries, and the Greenwich Community Food Cooperative is supplying fruit and vegetables. All drinks served are fair trade.



SET TO SIZZLE: Enzo Carbonara, partner at Heaps Sausages in Greenwich, prepares another batch



MAJOR changes to the royal borough's roads and transport network have been made to cope with all the extra traffic and thousands of visitors as we host a third of all the Olympic and Paralympic events. This could have spelled big problems for local firms, who were concerned about the knock-on effect for their deliveries and parking for their customers. So the royal borough stepped in to help put their minds at rest through a series of events in Greenwich, Woolwich and Eltham. Since January, the Games Time Business Liaison

Training camps help firms prepare for the Games

Team have hosted a total of 22 workshops with presentations both during the day and in the evening, and also a range of drop-in surgeries. Their mission was to help businesses prepare for the Games, keep any negative effects to a minimum, and capitalise on all the business opportunities.

The team answered people's questions and corrected misunderstandings. They gave advice on planning for the Games, such as how to re-organise their delivery arrangements, and negotiated with Games organisers LOCOG to come up with working solutions on difficulties with deliveries, parking and access to premises.

A total of 850 businesses took advantage of the chance to get advice and help. They included small pubs and cafes, estate agents, printing companies, training providers, stores, supermarkets, bars and restaurants. Businesses were also concerned about understanding the trading restrictions on

advertising. So the team gave them advice on how to avoid contravening the rules. One of the many firms helped was Didiers Patisserie, based at City Cross Business Park in North Greenwich. They supply bakery products to Heathrow and Gatwick Airports and well-known City and West End restaurants, and rely on the Blackwall Tunnel to deliver to central London customers and A2 / M25 for the airports. The team arranged for Transport for London's freight team to work with Didiers to plan routes that would get deliveries to their customers on time during the Games. Sales and Logistics Manager Nadia Benabid said: "The team were very good helping us to organise our deliveries and work around the Games conditions."

The Games Time Business Liaison Team can be contacted on tel. 020 8921 8689, or by e-mail at business@greenwich.gov.uk





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Step back in time to discover royal Greenwich

VISITORS and residents of royal Greenwich can trace the steps of servicemen, royalty and explorers who once lived in the borough. They can follow a three and a half mile walk in and around the Maritime Heritage site as part of a new project set up by the Royal Geographical Society to celebrate the Games. As one of the most famous maritime sites in the world, the area has been chosen as one of a few select walks on the "Walk the World" website developed as part of the national cultural Olympiad. The walk around Royal Greenwich follows in the footsteps of sailors and soldiers, kings

and queens, inventors and explorers, who have been visiting for nearly 1,000 years. It also looks at how Royal Greenwich was built and prospered through its links to the wider world. Street names, buildings, monuments and people provide clues to these connections with Olympic nations which include Guyana, Venezuela, Cape Verde and China. RGS director, Dr Rita Gardner, told GT: "Royal Greenwich has a wealth of international links in its geography and history, and with Olympic fervour growing what better time to explore and discover the

unexpected on your own doorstep." The Society has linked up with the Institute of British Geographers to call on local people to suggest any links they know of themselves. Dr Gardner added: "We hope that local residents will find this another exciting way that they can get involved with the Olympics and look forward to reading what suggestions they put forward for links in the region with other Olympic nations."

● To find out more about the walk, which is suitable for all ages and abilities, by visit www.walktheworld.org.uk

No more hate

Police and charity unite to support victims

POLICE have teamed up with the charity 'Stop Hate UK' to help support the victims of hate crime.

Royal borough officers have been working closely with the charity, which takes calls 24 hours a day, to ensure that those who do not feel comfortable in reporting hate crime to a police officer, can do so through the charity.

With the caller's agreement the crime reported can then be passed to police for investigation.

Hate crime includes prejudice and hatred against disability, gender identity, race, ethnicity or nationality, religion, faith or belief and sexual orientation.

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Police in Greenwich have recorded the following increases over the last two

years: Racist and religious crime - up from 59 to 89; Homophobic crime up from 6 to 7.

Police officers, who deal with hate and homophobic crime, are running police surgeries in the Prince of Greenwich Pub, Royal Hill, on the last Friday of every month. The surgeries are in place to help people report hate crime and encourage victims to talk to specially trained officers.

PC Stephen Proctor, an experienced LGBT officer, who runs the Friday surgeries said: "We know hate crime is under reported - some people are simply embarrassed about being a victim of hate crime and others may not know that hate crime can and should be recorded. If we don't know it is happening, we can not investigate it. I would encourage anyone who has been a victim to contact us or Stop Hate UK. We are here to help".

Borough Commander Richard Wood said: "I ask my officers to ensure that we have victims at the forefront of our mind in our war against hate crime. I hope that our work with Stop Hate UK will give people the confidence to come forward and report incidents to us".

Rose Simkins, chief executive of Stop Hate UK said: "We are pleased to be able to provide support and information to people in the Royal Borough of Greenwich who witness or experience hate crime. We are also pleased to work in partnership with different agencies to tackle hate crime and ensure victims feel supported.

"As an independent charity, it is our aim to give victims the confidence to report incidents, however, we recognise that sometimes victims and witnesses don't want their details passed on and we always follow the wishes of the people who contact us. We encourage those experiencing hate crimes to contact us or someone else they trust, to speak in confidence. If victims don't talk about it, nothing can be done to stop hate crime".

● Anyone who wishes to contact Stop Hate UK should ring 0800 138 1625, text 07717 989 or visit

Driver jailed for axe attack

A MAN who attacked a bus driver with an axe when asked to move his vehicle has been jailed for eight months.

The 45-year-old bus driver was driving down Sandy Hill Road, Woolwich, last December when he asked Terry Stower, 53, from Sparta Street, Greenwich, to move his van so that the bus could continue its journey.

Stower became immediately aggressive and hit the driver with an axe, causing a cut to his throat, before fleeing the scene in his vehicle. Bus passengers assisted police and a number of CCTV sources were used to provide still images for circulation. Detectives managed to identify the vehicle registration number and the company for which the suspect was working, and that Stower was in the van.

Officers from Greenwich CID and the Safer Transport team arrested Stower at his home address, where they found the 18-inch weapon.

Stower was sentenced to eight months at Woolwich Crown Court on July 4. Officer in the case DC Debbie Jones said: "Stower displayed excessive violence against an innocent man who was purely doing his job. I am pleased with the result of this investigation and I hope Stower has time to reflect on the gravity of what he did and the lasting effect that his actions will have on the victim and his family."

She added: "We will continue to investigate incidents of this nature and ensure that victims are put at the centre of everything we do."

Still places in musical half marathon

RUNNERS who want to support aspiring young athletes are invited to sign up for Run to the Beat.

There are still places on the annual half marathon which takes place in October. Runners can support

Greenwich Starting Blocks - the charity that provides bursaries to young local athletes to develop their talents.

Run to the Beat is the half-marathon race where runners are accompanied by live music performances along the route from The O2 to Woolwich, across to Greenwich Park and then back to The O2 again. Now in its fifth year, this year's event will be taking place on October 28.

Starting Blocks has reserved 100 places for runners. There is no registration fee but all runners will be asked to raise a minimum of £150 for the charity. If you are keen to take part in the musical half-marathon whilst raising some money for aspiring local athletes then please email starting-blocks-run@greenwich.gov.uk. The deadline for entry is August 31.

Fives alive at Glyndon playclub

PARENTS and their youngsters recently celebrated the first birthday of their play club.

They were marking a year since they took over the running of the Glyndon under-fives centre from the royal borough.

The Plumstead-based centre was taken over by volunteer parents including Cathryn Melani with her sisters Alison Mellish and Lyndsey Abdunnassir last summer. They stepped forward after government budget cuts meant the venue could no longer be run through the council. The centre is open three days a week and allows under-five year olds to interact with other youngsters, while mums have a chat for just 50p a session.

Mum Lisa went along to the celebrations with her two-year-old Emily and told GT: "I've been coming about a year. It's close to where I live and it gets us out and about. My daughter asks me every week to come, when we walk past and it's closed

FUN FACES: young visitors to the centre enjoy a day of games and activities outside for the anniversary celebrations



she'll ask can we go in. Coming here has taught Emily to share and have good communication skills. Visits from the Pre-school Alliance have taught us things through their rhyme time and healthy eating sessions." Mum-of-four Mrs. Iqbal had been attending the centre with four-year-old Haris and two-year-old Hadia for over two years before the takeover. She said: "My children get to meet other kids and use toys that we don't have at home like the big bumper cars and the climbing frames. They get to socialise and meet children of other

ages." Head volunteer Cathryn Melani reflected on the year saying:

"The only option was to have volunteers run the centre as parents weren't happy at the prospect of complete closure. Since then it's been well-attended, more than 50 families come in and parents regularly volunteer to help so it makes it all worthwhile."

● **Glyndon Under fives play centre is open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 12.30pm-2.30pm for 50p a session.**
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Permit error

Action taken to correct printing mistake

LOCOG is taking action to correct errors with some of the parking permits that have been issued to residents to use during Games time.

Some homes in the royal borough have either been sent too many parking and visitor permits, or permits that have the wrong details.

The incorrect permits are those marked 'Existing CPZ.' The error is that they should have been printed with a designated parking zone. As a result, Games organisers LOCOG are replacing them with the correct permits. Where too many permits have been issued, LOCOG will reissue with the correct number of new ones. The permits sent previously will no longer be valid.

The royal borough was first to point out the errors and have helped LOCOG to correct the situation as soon as possible. LOCOG are redistributing the correct 2012 Games Time residents and residents' visitor permits, which residents should have received by post.



If they have not arrived, residents should call the LOCOG London 2012 Games Parking Permit Service number on 0300 777 2012.

LOCOG has asked residents to display the previously issued

permits and their LOCOG registration number until the new permits arrive. They should then display their new ones, and dispose of the old ones. Using the old ones could result in a fine or a vehicle being removed.

Games time parking restrictions in the royal borough started last Friday, July 27 and apply until September 9.

People with existing CPZ permits will not be required to apply for a Games 'Time Residents' Permit, but will need to apply for Games time visitors' permits. The visitors' parking permits allow residents' visitors to park within their zone only during the Games. Existing visitor vouchers for the controlled parking zone (CPZ) are not valid during the Games.

Residents and businesses who might need a parking permit and have not yet applied should do so immediately as the parking restrictions are now in force.

● **Permits can be obtained from LOCOG at www.2012gamesparkingpermits.com/ or by calling 0300 11 2012.**

TfL makes it easy for riders

IT will be easier for residents to cycle or walk during Games time thanks to a new initiative from Transport for London.

They have issued a new range of maps, guides, walk and cycle routes along with new cycling services and facilities as part of an Active Travel programme.

The programme includes:

● Cycle parking at every venue – 7,000 at the Olympic park alone and 18,800 in total

● Free "keep you going" cycle maintenance – available at multiple venues

● Guided walks and cycle rides that allow spectators to travel with experienced walk and ride leaders, with over 150 walks and 425 rides

● New maps highlighting the variety of cycle routes around the Olympic Park

● Easy-to-use journey planner offering cyclists a choice of direct, quiet or recreational routes.

Organisers are hoping around 300,000 spectators will walk or cycle their whole journey to 2012

venues across London. Councillor Harry Singh, Royal Greenwich cabinet member for Greener Greenwich, told GT:

"This initiative is more than offering people an alternative to avoid public transport for the Games; the long term aim is to change the way people think about cycling, and to show what a simple and healthy way it is to travel".

● **For more information visit www.london2012.com/travel**

Free Bikeability cycle training courses are running over the summer for all competent riders aged 10 and over, who live, work or study in the royal borough.

The courses are being held at St Mary's RC primary school, Glenure Road, Eltham, and the next set of Bikeability courses are on the following dates:

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● **Sign up at www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/cycling**

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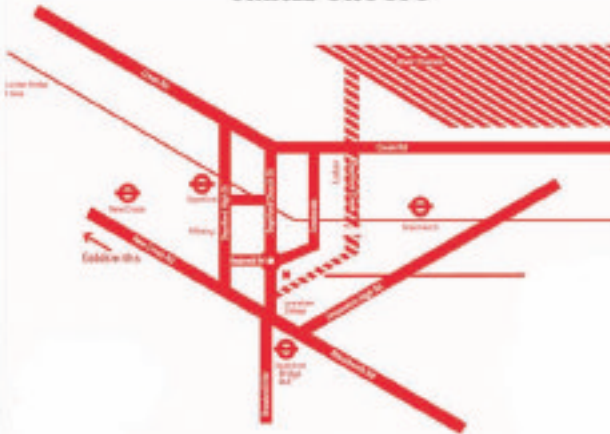
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Gardeners' glory

ROYAL Greenwich is ablaze with floral colours for the Games thanks to amateur gardeners who entered Greenwich in Bloom.

Judges have picked their winners awarding garden vouchers to the top entries who will now be entered for the city wide London in Bloom 2012 competition, for the chance to become the top garden in the capital.

First place for the Best Summer Colour Front Gardens was awarded to John and Margaret O'Rourke of Abbey Wood. Second place was awarded to Mr A Hodder of Eltham, followed by Mr Arthur Day of Eltham and Mr Dolan of Charlton in 3rd and 4th place.

Mr J Kinsella of Charlton claimed the top prize for Best Front Landscape Design Garden followed by John and Margaret O'Rourke of Abbey Wood, Mr M Hill of Eltham and Mr G Parrish of Charlton.

Mr J Kinsella of Charlton also claimed first prize in the Best Back Gardens category. In Second place was Mr M Hill of Eltham, and further runners up prizes were awarded to Mrs J Bryan from Lee and Mrs S Bliss of Eltham.

Best Hanging Baskets or Window Boxes was taken by Mr M Hill of Eltham, with the respective runners up prizes going to Mr J Kinsella of Charlton, John and Margaret O'Rourke of Abbey Wood and Ms C Tucker of Thamesmead.

Councillor Peter Kotz, royal borough cabinet member for cultural & creative industries told GT: "Once again the entries for this year's Greenwich in Bloom are a credit to the royal borough. It is fantastic to have so many residents capable of creating such beautiful scenery. These wonderful gardens will help to make sure Royal Greenwich is looking superb during the Olympic Games."



GRASS ACT: a garden with a mixture of ornamentals with a good colour scheme. Inset, flowerbeds planted with the Olympic theme in mind which won 1st place in the Best Summer Colour Front Garden.

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£20,000 fake gear seized at car boot sale

COUNTERFEIT goods worth £20,000 were seized by Royal Greenwich trading standards officers and police from stalls at the boot fair held at the Meridian Sports Club, Charlton, on July 14.

Nearly 1,000 branded polo tops, T-shirts and shirts, jeans, trousers, hats, caps, belts, sunglasses and jewellery were confiscated from seven different stalls. Cllr Maureen O'Mara, cabinet member for community safety, said: "The seizure of such a large quantity of counterfeit goods is a great example of the dedicated work of Royal Greenwich officers and Met Police partners. This sends out a clear message to all those wishing to sell counterfeit goods in Greenwich - it will not be tolerated." Fines of up to £5,000 can be imposed in the magistrates' court and imprisonment for up to six months, while at the Crown Court unlimited fines may be imposed with up to ten years' imprisonment for trademarks offences.

Copyright owner may also sue for damages in the civil courts. The boot fair organisers have made assurances that those sellers will be banned from the Meridian for all future events. Greenwich Police officers also seized an uninsured vehicle and dealt with a cannabis possession offence.

● **FOR more information on counterfeit goods and reporting suspect products visit** www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/fakegoods.

Wenlock sprints to community fayre

OLYMPIC mascot Wenlock will be making a sprint to a community fete at East Greenwich Pleasance this Saturday, August 4.

The event is part of the East Greenwich Festivals and is themed around the last Olympics held at London in 1948. It will feature retro activities, music and food from the era. From 12pm onwards, Wenlock will be joining in with the festivities which include children's workshops, live bands and performances, a market place, a popup art gallery, vintage tea and games tent, a 1940s best dressed competition, and a kids disco. The event closes on Sunday with a church choir service.

The East Greenwich Community Festivals run on Saturday from 11am-9pm and Sunday, August 5 from 11am-5pm and are free of charge. For more information visit www.streamarts.org.uk/projects/egcf

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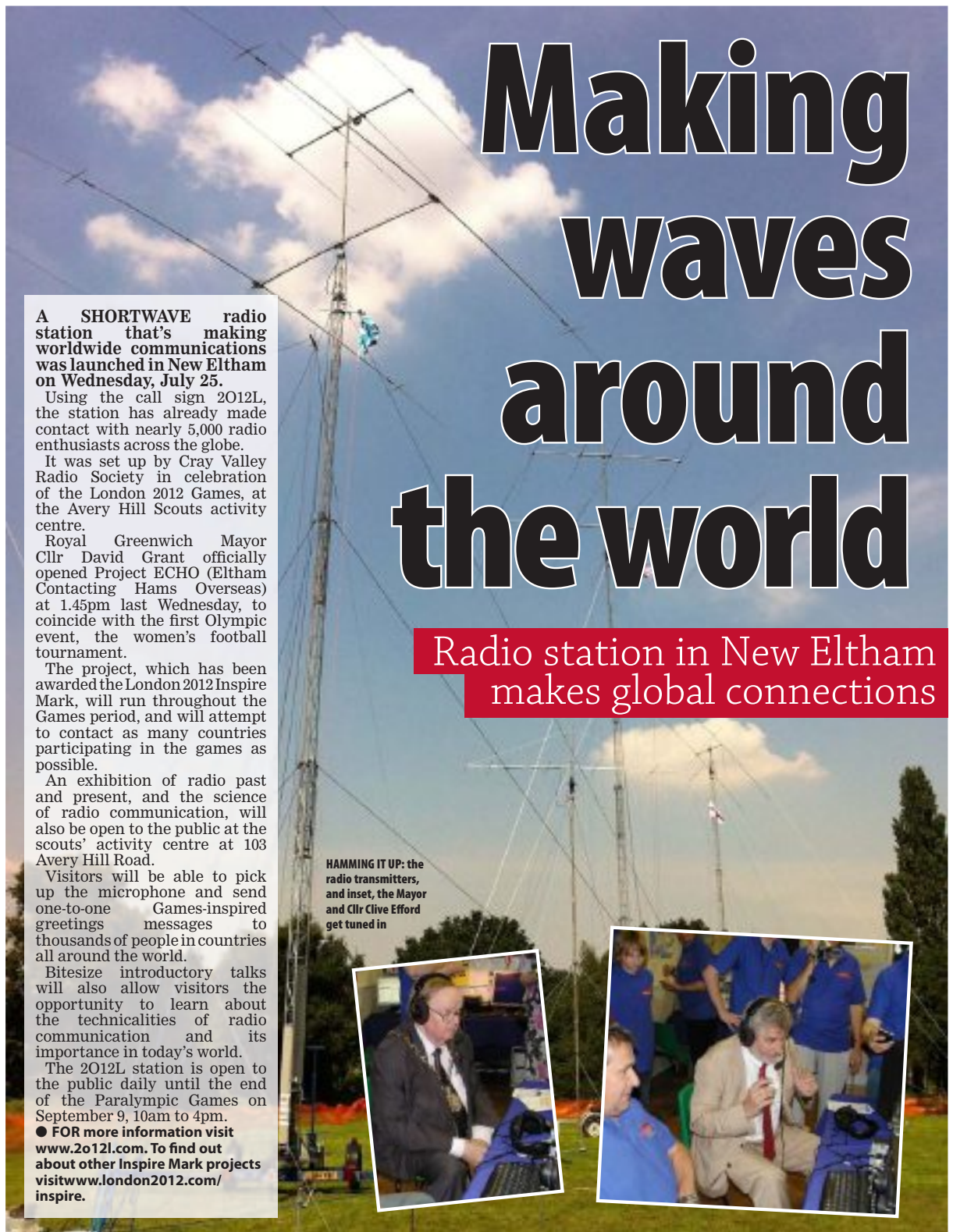
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Making waves around the world

Radio station in New Eltham makes global connections

A **SHORTWAVE** radio station that's making worldwide communications was launched in New Eltham on Wednesday, July 25.

Using the call sign 2012L, the station has already made contact with nearly 5,000 radio enthusiasts across the globe.

It was set up by Cray Valley Radio Society in celebration of the London 2012 Games, at the Avery Hill Scouts activity centre.

Royal Greenwich Mayor Cllr David Grant officially opened Project ECHO (Eltham Contacting Hams Overseas) at 1.45pm last Wednesday, to coincide with the first Olympic event, the women's football tournament.

The project, which has been awarded the London 2012 Inspire Mark, will run throughout the Games period, and will attempt to contact as many countries participating in the games as possible.

An exhibition of radio past and present, and the science of radio communication, will also be open to the public at the scouts' activity centre at 103 Avery Hill Road.

Visitors will be able to pick up the microphone and send one-to-one Games-inspired greetings messages to thousands of people in countries all around the world.

Bitesize introductory talks will also allow visitors the opportunity to learn about the technicalities of radio communication and its importance in today's world.

The 2012L station is open to the public daily until the end of the Paralympic Games on September 9, 10am to 4pm.

● **FOR more information visit** www.2012l.com. To find out about other Inspire Mark projects visit www.london2012.com/inspire.

HAMMING IT UP: the radio transmitters, and inset, the Mayor and Cllr Clive Efford get tuned in

Early success for new housing fraud team

ROYAL Greenwich's new Unauthorised Occupation Team has already recovered over 50 properties in their first three months of investigating tenancy fraud on the borough.

The team, put together in February, is clamping down on the financial losses Royal Greenwich suffers due to tenancy fraud and in turn reducing the waiting lists for re-housing, through investigating and successfully repossessing properties.

Tenancy fraud can involve obtaining a property by deception, such as claiming

to be homeless while living elsewhere, or sub-letting a property once moved-out.

It is estimated that tenancy fraud costs UK taxpayers £900million per year, and that between two and five per cent of all social housing is being sub-let, equating to between 460 and 1,150 properties in Greenwich.

Cllr Steve Offord, cabinet member for housing, said: "Royal Greenwich has a limited number of properties to let, and priority for housing is based on needs. We

have an obligation to house our vulnerable residents, but due to housing shortages we are often forced to place families in temporary accommodation, at much greater cost. By recovering properties from those committing fraud we are saving unnecessary public spend and ensuring we can home those in need." Residents are encouraged to report any suspicions to the Royal Borough's Unauthorised Occupation Team on 020 8921 5122 or e-mailunauthorised-occupation@greenwich.gov.uk



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Young people really getting to the Point

A HOUSING service in the royal borough has been shortlisted for an award because of the quality of services it provides for young people.

The Andy Ludlow homelessness award recognises work and projects that tackle homelessness in the capital.

First Base, part of The Point in Woolwich, works as a one stop service to help young people aged 16-20 - 24 if they have a disability - who are vulnerable or at risk of homelessness with a range of support and advice. The Point works alongside other agencies and provides services in education, employment and training and acts as a floating support to young adults in need.

Nineteen-year old Eleanor Tilbey from Eltham said: "I first found out about the centre when I visited my school for a talk. When I left school I visited there to help me get a job. I went on a short course there called the Winter Plus and I learned about letter writing and drug awareness. I've got a job in admin now and I'm really pleased with what I've learned."

Eighteen-year-old Hayley Bennett from Shooters Hill said: "I learned a lot during the programme and had fun with it too. There were all different types of people and workshops that came in to teach about a range of different things from gang violence and money management to interview techniques and job clinics and I also achieved a first aid certificate."

● For more information call 020 8921 8825 or 020 8921 8224 or visit www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/thepoint

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Time called on pub double measures

ROYAL borough pubs are being reminded that they must make smaller measures of certain drinks available, following complaints from customers fed up of paying double.

In 2010, there was a change in the law requiring pubs to have smaller measures of some alcoholic drinks available, and to make that availability known to their customers. Beer in half pints, wine in 125ml measures and spirits in 25 or 35ml measures must be offered, alongside any larger measures.

But some licensed premises

have been refusing to sell single or smaller measures, leading to the Royal Greenwich trading standards and licensing teams needing to step in and remind them of the law.

Cllr Maureen O'Mara, Greenwich Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Environment said: "Pubs and clubs must ensure they abide by the law when it comes to drinks measurements. By only offering large measures, customers are unfairly forced to pay more, and may well end up drinking far more than they originally

intended, leading to possible adverse health effects."

Royal Greenwich is writing to all pubs in the borough to remind them of the law changes and to advise them of their obligations to ensure that customers are made aware of the availability of smaller measures of drink.

● For more information on licensing matters, or to report any licensed premises refusing to serve certain measures, contact the Royal Greenwich licensing team on 020 8921 8018 or email licensing@greenwich.gov.uk.

Tall ships sail..



ON DECK: the Lady of Avel

...but flotilla turned back before reaching Greenwich

THE flotilla of tall ships which sailed on July 25 was turned back before reaching the Cutty Sark due to an incoming tide and the proximity of HMS Ocean.

The parade which left Tilbury Docks with 14 tall ships and 70 smaller vessels passed Thamesmead, Woolwich and the Thames Barrier, but was advised by the Port of London Authority to turn back as it passed The O2 and neared Greenwich.

Sail Royal Greenwich's Laurens Winkel told GT: "The tide was coming in and there were fears that the boats might get too close to

HMS Ocean - or even hit it. We are really sorry that people in Greenwich didn't get to see the ships and fully understand their disappointment.

"But in these times of heightened security we completely understand the PLA's decision.

"We didn't expect so many people to come out to watch, so we were very honoured that so many turned out. We could have communicated the situation better to them on the day."

● Sail Royal Greenwich cruises are operating daily. More at www.sailroyalgreenwich.co.uk



ABOUT TURN: a pair of tall ships head back east

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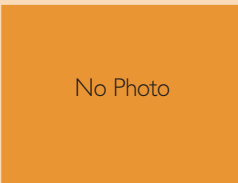
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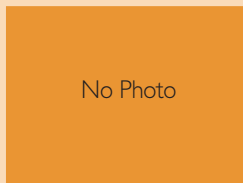
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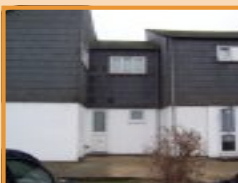
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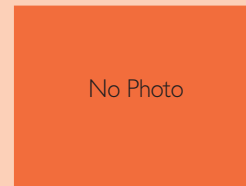
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Please note the closing date to register your bids for advertised properties will be **every Sunday at midnight.**

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The next edition of GreenwichHomes will be available on **Wednesday 8 August 2012 at midday** and will include any Housing Association properties when available. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 5 August 2012.**

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Important Notice

Changes to the rents and tenancies of some advertised housing association properties.

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Currently the rent level for the properties you see advertised in Greenwich Homes is significantly lower than full market rents in private sector housing.

From now you will now be seeing some housing association properties advertised for higher rents, up to eighty percent of the market rent. These rents will also include the service charge that you will need to pay for the property. We will use the phrase Affordable Housing on the adverts to help you identify these properties.

Please note the Council will continue to advertise all the homes it owns at the standard rent level.

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Fixed term tenancies

You will also notice that the tenancies for Affordable Housing and some other housing association properties may now be for a shorter period than the present lifetime tenancies offered by housing associations. The phrase Fixed term tenancy will be used in the adverts to identify these properties. The tenancy details will be explained to you if you are successful when you view the property.

Please think about these changes when bidding for an Affordable housing property and make sure you can afford the home that you choose.

This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 295

| Address | Bed-rooms | Property Type | No of Bids | Reg date of successful app | Band |
|---|-----------|---------------|------------|----------------------------|------|
| Chapter House Federation Road SE2 0LS | 1 | FLAT | | No eligible bids | |
| Wilson Court Allenby Road SE28 0AL | 2 | FLAT | 567 | 03/07/2008 | C |
| Belson Road SE18 5PX | 2 | MAISONETTE | 28 | 11/04/2012 | B |
| Gilbourne Road SE18 2NS | 0 | FLAT | 273 | 20/05/2008 | C |
| Griffiths House Mayplace Lane SE18 3TR | 2 | FLAT | 322 | 24/10/2008 | C |
| Nightingale Vale SE18 4HL | 3 | MAISONETTE | 33 | 14/06/1999 | A |
| Felixstowe Road SE2 9QH | 2 | FLAT | 45 | 24/09/2010 | B |
| Ravens Way SE12 8HA | 1 | FLAT | 51 | 04/10/2010 | B |
| Langbrook Road SE3 8QZ | 3 | HOUSE | 95 | 01/02/2011 | B |
| Wendover Road SE9 6PF | 3 | HOUSE | 111 | 25/11/2009 | B |
| Linsted Court Restons Crescent SE9 2JQ | 2 | FLAT | 22 | 20/10/2011 | A |
| Middle Park Avenue SE9 5QH | 0 | FLAT | 214 | 22/07/2008 | C |
| Zangwill Road SE3 8EU | 2 | MAISONETTE | 36 | 01/06/1986 | A |
| Frances Street SE18 5LA | 1 | FLAT | 470 | 10/02/2009 | C |
| Dahlia Road SE2 0ST | 2 | MAISONETTE | 37 | 20/05/2011 | B |
| St Domingo House Leda Road SE18 5QP | 1 | FLAT | 445 | 02/04/2009 | C |
| Nightingale Heights Nightingale Vale SE18 4HH | 2 | FLAT | 296 | 09/11/2009 | C |
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| Rectory Place SE18 5BY | 2 | MAISONETTE | 15 | 20/04/2012 | B |
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| Icough Court Hassendean Road SE3 8UD | 1 | FLAT | 56 | 29/01/2009 | B |
| Woolwich Church Street SE18 5ND | 2 | FLAT | 20 | 19/09/2011 | B |
| Kingsman Street SE18 5PT | 1 | FLAT | 23 | 05/07/2010 | B |
| Woodford House Barnfield Road SE18 3TZ | 1 | FLAT | 453 | 19/12/2008 | C |
| Westcombe Court Westcombe Park Road SE3 7QB | 2 | FLAT | 29 | 08/12/2011 | B |
| Hargood Road SE3 8HR | 0 | BUNGALOW | 166 | 18/09/2009 | C |
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Perfect sense

PUPILS at Cherry Orchard primary school ended the summer term with a birthday celebration to mark the school's 60th jubilee. And everyone had a chance to check out the birthday gift - a new sensory garden.

It was opened by royal Greenwich mayor David Grant and the event was attended by the whole school along with parents and local councillors. The garden was funded with £2,000 from Corelli College while Charlton

Triangle Homes, which manages homes in the area, put in £500 to buy play equipment. Pictured with pupils are artist Jonny Stockbridge and headteacher Jan Beames with Mayor Cllr David Grant and his wife.

Royal borough accounts given clean bill of health

THE royal borough's financial accounts were given a clean bill of health by the Audit Commission in a report which praised its "robust financial management". Last week's report praised the way the royal borough has continued to prioritise delivering front line services at a time when budgets were under pressure from central government cuts. The Commission noted that this had been achieved as "savings made have been largely limited to back office functions." The council has also managed to deliver a net under spend of £0.671m even though Council Tax levels have been frozen for five consecutive years and in spite of the size of the financial challenges it faced. The Commission stated that this was in line with the royal borough's "good track record at meeting budgetary guidelines".

In summary, it concluded there were "no matters arising" from their work on assessing the standard of value for money that Royal Greenwich provides. It noted that the draft accounts were submitted ahead of deadline, and the Audit Commission praised Royal Borough for "timely responses to audit queries" and the "strong working arrangements between the Commission and royal borough officers." Royal borough leader Chris Roberts said: "This is a ringing endorsement of the approach we have taken to our finances. We have successfully balanced investing in our front line services alongside freezing our Council Tax rates for the fifth time in a row. We have been able to do this by becoming more efficient and without the closure of key services such as libraries and children's centres, which we know residents value."

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| Applicant: Ms Mulvihill Development: 22 COLERAINE ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7PQ Drawing Numbers: Conversion of a single storey rear and side wall extension. Design & Access Statement including drawing no: Lp_001, 005, 006, 008, 001, Lp_001, 002, Lp_001 and ACS. Consulting Tree Report. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: WESTCOMBE PARK | 12/1558/F | Applicant: Mr S Gurdwara Sahib Sikh Temple Development: GURDWARA SAHIB TEMPLE, 1 CALDERWOOD STREET, WOOLWICH, LONDON, SE18 6QW Drawing Numbers: Installation of an air-conditioning unit. H/G/001, DPP/SO/11/13/01A, Photo's 01 & 02, Design and Access Statement and Site Location Plan. Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT | 12/1714/F |
| Applicant: Ms Z Bage Development: PARKING AREA OF ROYAL HERBERT PAVILIONS, GILBERT CLOSE, WOOLWICH, LONDON, SE18 4PR Drawing Numbers: Installation of a new cycle enclosure. 8870-01, 8870-02, 8870-03, 8870-04 (Location Plan) and Design and Access Statement. Library: East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road, London, SE10 0BL Conservation Area: WOOLWICH COMMON | 12/1596/F | Applicant: Mr Ramachan Development: 508 ROCHESTER WAY, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 1SQ Drawing Numbers: Erection of a single storey rear conservatory. 1 of 4, 2 of 4, 3 of 4, 4 of 4, Photo 1, Photo 2, Block Plan, Site Location Plan and Design and Access Statement. Library: Eltham Library, 2 Anchery Road SE9 1HA Conservation Area: PROGRESS ESTATE | 12/1749/F |
| Applicant: Mr Totty Development: 16 GREENWICH CHURCH STREET, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9BJ Drawing Numbers: Change of use of rear yard area to outdoor seating area for AS use for a temporary period. P01, Design & Access Statement and Site Plan. Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH | 12/1640/F | Publicity for Listed Building Consent | |
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Long Lane's legacy for the royal borough

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the Royal Borough of Greenwich.

Famed as the first British junior football club to win a near £1m Football Foundation grant in 2001, Long Lane was approached two years ago by the London Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games (LOCOG) to apply for the ground to become one of the training centres for Olympic football teams.

"We ticked four of the five boxes," said Mick, "but failed the fifth - irrigation. We thought our chance had gone - until LOCOG said they would finance it because they were so happy with everything else."

Having a 19-acre site in the right area and opening their facilities to schools, colleges and community groups, as well as their own 38 teams from adults to boys and girls teams at Under 7, clinched it for the Blue and Black stripes.

The three pitches each have 15 pop-up sprinklers and there are others across the Dursley Road ground, allowing Mick to water a goalmouth, centre circle or

even an entire pitch at the press of a switch in the refurbished clubhouse.

"The benefits for the club and the royal borough are just wonderful," said Mick. "Sharon Brokenshire's special football league regularly uses the ground for free and it was this community aspect that so impressed LOCOG."

"We had already got a second grant from the Football Foundation as part of our plan for the future - for drainage and laser levelling of the pitches - so this has all been the icing on the cake."

"LOCOG's advance came at the right time because we had to play away from the ground while all the work was being done, so we were losing revenue. Greenwich Council helped big time by allowing us to play at Avery Hill Park for 16 months."

"The amazing thing is that it's all coming to us after the Games, a legacy not just for us but for the whole of the royal borough. Another dream I've had is to gain a major sponsor. Maybe even that will come true now!"

Gemma Crowley, LOCOG's training venue manager, has been based at Long Lane since July



THE LONG AND WINDING ROAD: Long Lane's chief executive Mick Northwood shows off the venue's new status as an official Olympic training ground

2. She told GT: "I am massively impressed. As someone who has come from sport in Ireland at a grassroots and a national level, it's fantastic to see what the Olympics is going to leave Long Lane and the Royal Borough of Greenwich."

"It's great to see how people in the area, especially children

and young people, will benefit from the club being an Olympic training venue. You'd find it very difficult to find pitches of this fantastic quality at normal club level."

Cllr Peter Kotz, cabinet member for culture and the Olympics, said: "The facilities take your breath away and it's so exciting

that they will become a royal borough legacy from the Games. Long Lane have always delighted us with their achievements on and off the pitch, and we shouldn't really be surprised by this latest, greatest chapter in their club's history."

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Olympic training ground will be a gem in the royal borough...

The 'Wembley' in SE3

by Peter Cordwell

WITH three days to go before the Olympic football squads turned up, Mick Northwood was still pinching himself.

The Long Lane JFC supremo positively beamed as he showed GT around the once derelict 19-acre site in Kidbrooke that will now be the training centre for the quarter-final teams - hopefully including England and Brazil - in the London 2012 football competition.

"We have three pitches that I'm told are up to the standard of the Emirates and the dimensions of Old Trafford," said Mick, Long Lane's chief executive who will be 65 in November. "Eight teams will arrive on Friday (July 27). I'm not sure who they will be but I do know we will also be having the quarter-finalists, the teams in the semis and the finalists.

"After that it all reverts to Long Lane Junior Football Club and that's the bit I'm still pinching myself about. When you think what it was like when we took over in 1994 this really is a dream come true.

"It will cost us to keep the pitches up to this standard - and ideally we'd like a full-time groundsman - but you know we'll be working at it non-stop. We'll be looking to stage special football tournaments here and get the reputation as the Wembley of

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KIDBROOKE CALLING: (l-r) Long Lane chief exec Mick Northwood, Anna Price from LOCOG and leader of the royal borough Cllr Chris Roberts inspect the impeccable playing surface in 2011

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